

drew his amendment, and the question then recurred on the minority report offered as a substitute for the majority report by Mr. Jones.

The substitute was rejected by a vote of 62 to 33.

Mr. Jones offered another substitute, which he said was worded in pretty much the same terms as the previous one, looking to the formation of a new county out of Allegany county. It could not be denied that an overwhelming majority of the people of Tyaskin district were opposed to this new county, and he proposed to make the lines such that these people would be allowed to remain where they desired, with Somerset county. It was an announced policy that counties shall not be reduced in area below 400 square miles, and below 10,000 white population, and he contended, as stated yesterday, that estimates of the increase of population are only conjectures.

There had no doubt been an increase of population, but it should be left to the Legislature to ascertain the matter. He did not know how those gentlemen representing sections of the State which might dissent from this absolute compulsion of the formation of a new county could explain the matter. The subject had been alluded to by the gentleman from Baltimore, (Mr. Brown,) last evening. He acknowledged that it would be politically desirable to them to have this new county, as it would tend to preserve the balance of power, but there were other considerations to be looked into.

The substitute was disagreed to.

The report was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The Convention then took a recess until 8 o'clock P. M.

SIXTY-SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met at 8 o'clock, sixty-five members being present.

The report of the committee on the judiciary was taken up.

The twenty-fifth section was passed over without amendment.